

Friday, February 6, 2026

Bearnstow Young Artist Internship

Company: Bearnstow

Location: Mt. Vernon, ME

Compensation: \$100/week + room, board, and dance workshops all summer

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Bearnstow's Young Artist Internship Program, which runs mid-June to late August, is an intensive summer program of dance, creative process, performance and teamwork for a select group of hardworking individuals who show genuine promise and commitment to dance and other performing arts.

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This summer Young Artist Interns will have the opportunity to participate in workshops with Bebe Miller, Angie Hauser, Claire Porter, Janis Brenner, K.J. Holmes, and Peter Kyle. Rob Flax's strings workshop is open to interns as well if they are interested and he will be offering some elements of that workshop in collaboration with the dancers.

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Interns participate in productions including: a site specific performance in downtown Mount Vernon, the end of season show at Vienna Union Hall showcasing their work, and several informal showings throughout the summer. Connect with the local community and many incredible artists who will come through as workshop teachers, participants, retreat artists, and more all while enjoying the beautiful nature of Bearnstow's woods and Parker Pond.

Chosen artists receive the following:

- Full access to all workshops, instruction and mentoring by a faculty of professional artists and Bearnstow staff
- Interns gain experience working with dance, theater, music, and beyond through interdisciplinary collaboration with other artists and instruction by our workshop faculty
- Natural history lectures, hands-on instruction and trail walks
- Opportunity to perform in weekly informal showings throughout the summer
- Opportunity to lead creative session(s) for our youth Day Camp
- Opportunity to meet, study with, and create original work with other artists and students attending each workshop
- Full use of our facilities and 65 acres of natural lands to explore and create your own work
- A performance produced by Bearnstow at the end of the season to showcase your creative work
- Documentation of work shown during the season
- Personalized attention due to small class sizes, and invaluable insight into the aesthetic and process of each instructor
- Chance to be part of a close-knit cohort of artists who collaborate on a program of their own choreographic work in a shared concert at summer's end
- Shared room and board throughout the season, and a weekly stipend (\$100)

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In exchange, the Interns work as a team of capable assistants who can "put their hand to anything." Interns work in collaboration with Bearnstow's staff, chef, and facilities caretakers to assist in Bearnstow's kitchen, with cabin upkeep, and facilities maintenance. Throughout the

season it is not unusual for Residents to go from devising recipes and serving incredible meals, to improvising on the shore of the pond, composing sound scores, creating original dance videos, and planning performance projects together outside of camp. Living, working, and making art together are central to the Bearnstow experience.

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